

VA Home Loans For War II Vets Expire In July

Less than five months remain for veterans of World War II to use their guarantee privileges for a loan to purchase a home, farm or for business purposes. This warning came from William F. Connors, manager VA Office, Boston.

Present statutes provide that the absolute cutoff date for World War II veterans will be on July 25, 1967. This deadline is the result of Congressional action which has delayed the final date of eligibility several times.

The cutoff will not affect veterans of the Korean Conflict or veterans who have served since January 31, 1955, Connors pointed out, as these veterans are covered by different legislation.

Almost 326,000 loans have been guaranteed by the Veterans Administration to Massachusetts veterans since the beginning of the program following World War II. One out of every five homes constructed in the United States following World War II was with VA guarantee.

The Veterans Administration will guarantee up to 60 per cent of the purchase price of a home for a veteran with limitation as to the total purchase price.

Connors urged veterans planning to purchase a home to make their selection as soon as possible, avoiding the last minute rush for certification.

Information and assistance may be obtained at the VA Contact Division, Room E-116, John F. Kennedy Federal Building, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Saturdays, 9:00 - 1:00 p.m. Telephone: 223-3080.

Agawam Women's Club Holds Desert Card Party Tonight

The Agawam Women's Club is announcing a Spring Swing Desert Car Party to be held on Friday evening, March 17, 1967, at 8:00 p.m. for the benefit of the Scholarship Fund at the Captain Charles Leonard House at Agawam Centre. The Scholarship Fund benefits boys and girls, gifts being based on ability and need.

There will also be a hat bar, displaying new Easter Bonnets, all gorgeous and under \$5.00 in price, the sale of these to benefit the Club Scholarship Fund. Mrs. Arthur K. Strohle is in charge of the Hat Bar with Mrs. Raymond Alheim, Mrs. Bruce Notman and Mrs. Ralph Webster assisting.

The Scholarship Chairman is Mrs. A. Duane Stebbins and her Committee: Mrs. Harry Prior and Mrs. Bill M. Swienock.

Tickets are available from any member of the Committee or at the door on the 17th. Anyone wishing to make reservations may do so by calling any member of the Committee. Please bring your own playing cards.

STATE CASH BALANCE UP BY \$9 MILLION

Massachusetts' cash balance jumped nearly nine million dollars to \$40.5 million at the end of February, State Treasurer Robert Q. Crane announced today in his latest monthly report on the financial condition of the Commonwealth.

Total receipts for the month of February, Treasurer Crane reported, were \$217,915,282.14 as against total February disbursements of \$208,999,107.61.

The state's cash balance at the end of February, said the State Treasurer, was \$40,560,853.75 as compared with an end of January cash balance of \$31,644,679.22.

State Treasurer Crane further reported that the state's bonded indebtedness is still over the one billion dollar mark. It was \$1,014 million in March of 1966 and for March 1967 it was \$1,023,597,000.

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Caution Urged In Handling of Pesticides and Pressure Cans

AMHERST, Mass. — Warnings on use and storage of pesticides and disposal of used pesticide containers have been issued by Dr. E. H. Wheeler of the University of Massachusetts Pesticide Chemicals Information Center in connection with Poison Prevention Week, March 19 to 25.

First of all, Dr. Wheeler suggests, find out what the pest control problem is, get a pesticide to fit that problem and follow label directions and precautions exactly.

Secondly, he advises, keep pesticides in original, labeled containers in locked storage where children cannot reach them.

A third concern, according to the UMass professor of entomology and plant pathology, is the disposal of used containers. He suggests the following disposal procedures:

Wrap and tie tightly, in many layers of newspapers, all home and garden pesticide containers, including pressure spray cans. Place in refuse cans just before collection time; this guards against discovery by children and harm to collectors.

Where there is no collection service, wrap pesticide containers in layers of newspapers and place in a safe spot at public dumps; or bury in a hole at least 18 inches deep in a safe spot on your property. Break or puncture all containers except pressure cans.

Smoke from burning pesticide containers can be dangerous, Dr. Wheeler warns.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO GIRL SCOUTS—MARCH 12-18

Brownies, Juniors, Cadettes and Leaders of the Mawaga Neighborhood of Girl Scouts are observing Girl Scout Week this week, the 55th birthday of the founding of Girl Scouts, March 12, 1912.

Beginning with Girl Scout Sunday, when they attend the local churches in full uniform and place flowers in each church, they are presenting a picture to the community of future womanhood of which we may be proud.

Girls in Feeding Hills Congregational Church formed a choir and sang the anthem.

Many of the troops will have their own celebrations with Special Scouts having their own services. Troop 57 will be hostess at a Mothers' Tea, Tuesday afternoon. Troop 558 will hold a Mother-Daughter supper on Thursday evening. Brownie Troop 61 will observe Health and Safety Day with a visit from a registered nurse.

Troop 177 will assume responsibility for raising and lowering the flag at South School.

Displays are in the schools, libraries and Feeding Hills Drug Center, Arthur's Drug and Third National Bank.

The cookie sale which helps carry on the camping program will end this week. Anyone who has not purchased cookies and would like to aid this program, may contact Mrs. Harold Walker, chairman.



Northeastern University pharmacy student Edward Kerns (right) of 15 Hadley Road, Framingham, charges new members of the pharmaceutical honor society, Rho Chi, with the responsibilities of the society. New members include (from left) Prof. Albert H. Soloway of 361 Weld St., Boston; Frank R. Buoniconti of 160 Rowley St., Agawam; Ford R. Lynch of 12 Cottage St., Belmont; and Prof. Arnold S. Goldstein of 114 Bonad Road, Brookline. Kerns is president of the Beta Tau chapter of the national society, election to which is based on scholarship, integrity and an interest in extracurricular activities.

SPRINGFIELD WOMAN WINS WMEC PRIZE

Western Mass. Electric Company announced today that Mary Keough, of 214 Acrebrook, Springfield, was the winner of the 16-foot Old Town canoe that was awarded by Northeast Utilities in conjunction with its exhibit at the fifth annual Camping and Outdoor Show at the Better Living Center on the grounds of the Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield. The operating companies of Northeast Utilities, in addition to Western Mass. Electric, are The Hartford Electric Light Company and The Connecticut Light and Power Company.

The Northeast Utilities exhibit, which attracted thousands of show guests, was devoted to the extensive Connecticut River recreational development proposed in connection with the \$70 million pumped storage hydroelectric plant on Northfield Mountain in Franklin County. Permission to build the one million kilowatt facility has been requested from the Federal Power Commission, and hearings on the application were concluded in January of this year. The companies now await the Federal Power Commission decision.

The drawing was made by two of the Hosaga Indians from Springfield College.

JR. WOMEN HOLD ANNUAL ART EXHIBIT

The Agawam Junior Women's Club will present a "Fine Arts Festival" at the Capt. Charles Leonard House, Main Street, on April 16 from 2 - 7 p.m.

The purpose of the festival is to give encouragement to artists at all levels of accomplishment by providing a means of displaying their work to the public regardless of whether this is performed professionally or as a hobby.

A separate parlor of the Leonard House will be set aside to feature a display of children's work.

The showing will be open to the public, free of charge.

Any individual interested in exhibiting paintings, sculpture, or ceramics is asked to contact either Mrs. Kenneth Kubik, 63 Pleasant Drive, Feeding Hills, or Mrs. Charles T. Marquis, 34 Wilburt Terrace, Feeding Hills.

Fire Chief Issues Warning To All Industry, Business, Citizens

The Chief of the Fire Department suggests that all solicitors for the sale of fire detection equipment, ads for fire prevention manuals, fire association publications, etc., first obtain a letter of approval from him before canvassing his area. If in the Chief's opinion he feels that the ad or article for sale is not for the best interest of the people, then he will deny such canvassing for the protection of the citizens.

ANOTHER DANTE'S INFERNO TO OPEN APRIL 5

A new addition to the steak house chain known as Dante's Inferno will open at 892 Southbridge St. in Auburn.

A new kind of restaurant, it is a mass operation centered in one item only - steak.

Hours of opening will be from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. throughout the week, from Monday through Sunday. The dining area will consist of 3,000 sq. ft. of newly remodeled space. Parking is available for 200 cars.

In keeping with its name, the interior is designed in an inferno motif. \$100,000 was appropriated to be spent on their establishment. While atmosphere is offered, emphasis is stressed in constant quality control.

Steaks from the cornbelt of Iowa, and the very latest all electric broiling procedures developed for Dante's Inferno, produce the ultimate in steak dining and enjoyment. Also, children are included at a special adequate lower price.

BIG BARGAIN

KINSLEY, Kan.—Remodeling her house cost Mrs. James Zimmet \$25 less than expected. In the process she found that much money tucked away in obscure hiding places.



An Irish Blessing

May the blessing of Light be on you, light without and light within. May the blessed sunlight shine on you and warm your heart till it glows like a great peat fire, so that the stranger may come and warm himself at it, and also a friend. And may the light shine out of the two eyes of you, like a candle set in two windows of a house, bidding the wanderer to come in out of the storm.

And may the blessing of the Rain be on you—the soft sweet rain. May it fall upon your spirit so that all the little flowers may spring up, and shed their sweetness on the air. And may the blessing of the Great Rains be on you, may they beat upon your spirit and wash it fair and clean, and leave there many a shining pool where the blue of heaven shines, and sometimes a star.

And may the blessing of the Earth be on you—the great round earth; may you ever have a kindly greeting for them you pass as you're going along the roads. May the earth be soft under you when you rest upon it, tired at the end of the day, and may it rest easy over you when, at last, you lay out under it; may it rest so lightly over you, that your soul may be out from under it quickly, and up, and off, and on its way to God.

COIN CLUB MEMBERS HEAR GEORGE SCHMIDT

A very interesting meeting was held Wednesday evening, March 8th, at Agawam Methodist Church. Due to the snow storm the program had to be changed around. The panel quiz was changed to April 12th with the addition of Sgt. Minor of Agawam Police Dept. giving a talk on Safety of Coin Collections and Proper Methods to Follow.

Wednesday, Mr. George Schmidt of the Westover Coin Club gave a very interesting talk and outstanding display of foreign proof coins in display boxes. It was most interesting and educational. There were 21 present with 7 Jr. members from the Wilb Club.

Three new members were read making total paid up of 43 to date.

A most interesting auction was held and good social period and refreshments. Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m. with Arthur B. Stone as president.

Fire Deaths by Age

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Navy Gunfire Glory For Green Berets

(By Navy Journalist Tom Zell
Photos by Ralph Wasmer, PH1, USN)

USS NEWMAN K. PERRY OFF VIETNAM, Dec. 1966 -- "BRING IN THE NAVY.... BARRAGE FIRE!" ... shouted a Special Forces sergeant as gunners of this Seventh Fleet destroyer zeroed in upon attacking communist troops.

"Want it any closer?" ... inquired the airborne spotter.

"Negative," replied the Green Beret. "I can feel the concussion now!"

"Charlie's retreating," radioed the jungle fighter, "he's running into swamp up to his rear end!"

The air spotter radioed to the USS N. K. Perry: "Ground forces

were attacked by Viet Cong who are now retreating. Friendly forces are now moving forward!"

This incident highlighted the destroyer's five day firing mission on the enemy as friendly troops continued their drive to wipe out "Charlie." Their aim: Break the hold of the island's hard-core communist leader.

Phu Quoc island is about thirty miles long and located only eight miles off Cambodia's southern coast. The green island is covered by jungle-clad mountains, swamps, rice paddies, and rubber plantations. Phu Quoc's pepper crops are South Vietnam's largest.

When the Perry arrived off Phu Quoc's Special Forces camp, the naval gunfire spotter, Lt. (j.g.) Clifford T. Burgess, USN, of Willoughby, Ohio, came aboard with his U.S. Army pilot, Capt. Bobby J. Gee, of Oregon. They briefed the Perry's "Skipper,"

HOSPITALMAN Cary R. Marshall binds ankle of shipmate during Vietnam combat operation aboard USS Newman K. Perry. Marshall is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard K. Marshall of 52 Central Street, Agawam, Mass. He is a graduate of Westfield Trade School Westfield, Mass. (U.S. Navy Photo by Zell)

Cmdr. John A. Smith, USN, of Brockton, Mass., plus other officers, on their vital part in the battle ashore.

MUTUAL ADMIRATION

Meanwhile, Sergeant First Class Bruce Boyer, U.S. Army Special Forces, of North Kingston, R.I., toured the destroyer.

Admirably, Sergeant Boyer carried a barrel of the destroyer's guns. Below decks, he was impressed by the "merry-go-round" room where high explosive shells ringed the bulkheads, awaiting a hoist to the gun mount above.

The Green Beret's colorful personality quickly captured destroyer's enthusiasm as he vividly described combat ashore.

The following morning, the Perry's guns opened up, thoroughly saturated enemy positions and pounded enemy troops. While driving the Viet Cong in the di-

rection desired, the Perry struck five enemy structures.

CALL OF DISTRESS

Destroyer lookouts watched shells bombard the shore. Shrapnel ripped palm groves. Debris spewed high. Trees splashed geysers offshore. A thatched hut crumpled. Its peaked roof sat on the ground.

Charlie moved inland... fast. It was on the second day that the Perry heard a call of distress from Sergeant Boyer ashore.

"My troops are under heavy fire... Now... We can't wait!" Boyer quickly gave the enemy's position to Burgess, flying in a tiny "Bird-Dog" spotter-plane above.

Over the radio, in the Perry's Combat Information Center, Boyer's new-found friends heard the emergency arise. Gun crews locked on target and were ready to fire... even before Burgess relayed the Viet Cong's position.

Only one minute passed. Five-inch shells hammered attacking enemy troops. Salvo roared after salvo... for 46 minutes... hot Navy guns chased the commies.

Moving his troops forward, Boyer radioed discovery of two Viet Cong killed in action by the Perry's guns. In verification he stated: "Their bodies are caught up in a tree... yes, they're dead alright... in pieces!"

The Commanding Officer of the Special Forces advisory team later confirmed the Perry's two kills as a first for naval gunfire on Phu Quoc island.

VIET CONG COWBOY

Humor entered the day's action as air spotter Burgess radioed Boyer: "I see somebody driving cattle your way... riding out fast... on a cow and wearing a white hat."

Boyer answered, "Roger... I see him but I'll be too late to reach him."

"I have a rocket... I'll give it a try," radioed the spotter pilot, Captain Gee.

Boyer chortled: "Roger... you go ahead... shoot 'em up!"

Listening on the destroyer, crewmen whooped, "It's the Lone Ranger... git 'im!"

The rocket missed... only turning the would-be cowboy in another direction.

The destroyer's five-day mission ended. Forces inland proceeded to bottle up the enemy into an even smaller area, allowing final assaults before mopping up Viet Cong remnants.

All day, destroyermen had manned battle stations. At night, the Perry pulled out to sea. All hands worked through dark and often stormy nights... taking on ammunition, fuel, and food supply ships under way.

WEARY BUT READY CREW

A weary but still ready crew had replenished from five different supply ships before returning to station off the mainland's Mekong River Delta. While awaiting their next gunfire mission, they tallied results of their Phu Quoc action.

The Perry's guns blazed at the enemy on Phu Quoc with 875 cannon shells, striking 18 targets which included: 13 enemy positions, 4 troop concentrations, suspected storage areas, and a political training camp for communist cadre. The Viet Cong lost 15 structures while 27 others were damaged. One earth and log fortification was also destroyed.

Reporting high praise from the Special Forces for Perry's instant response and accuracy, Burgess added, "they didn't expect to find so many of Charlie's positions and see so many of his troops running around."

SCATTER IN TERROR

The greatest compliment came from a captured Viet Cong guerrilla. He later admitted, through an interpreter, "we aren't worried about jungles and swamps... nor your soldier's weapons. But when that ship gets angry... we scatter in terror!"

The Seventh Fleet destroyer USS Newman K. Perry (DD-883) is homeported in Newport, R.I., and arrived off Vietnam on Nov. 23, 1966. When assigned to the Atlantic Fleet, the Perry serves as flagship of Commander, Destroyer Squadron 20.

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GRANGER SCHOOL

MON: hamb. gry., mash, pot., but. car., pean. but. / marshmal. sand, strawb. sh. cake w/top. TUES: juice, meat ball grind, ch. wed., but. gr. bns., pears, WED: bkd. bns., w/frank, rings (catsup), cab. & car. sal. pean. but. / jel. sand, pie sq. THURS: juice, gr. hamb. on but, roll, catsup & rel., mix. vege., East. cake.

PEIRCE SCHOOL

MON: or. juice, frank, on hot but, roll, kern. corn, ch. cube, pean. but. sand., tutti fr. pud. TUES: spag. w/meat & tom. sau., but. gr. bns., ch. or pean. but. sand., sp. prune cake w/but. icing. WED: beef-vege. stew, ch. muf. or pean. but. sand, cit. fr. cup, cook. THURS: or. juice, openface hot chick, sand, w/br. gry., but. peas & car., cranb. sau., b&b, choc. pean. but. cook.

DANAHY SCHOOL

MON: mash, pot., hamb. gry., but. broc., b&b, ap. sau. w/cook. TUES: veg. rice soup, meat sand, or pean. but. & jel. sand, car. stix, or. wed., brownie. WED: Ital. spag. w/meat & tom. sau., ch. wed., b&b, peach. THURS: juice, frank, & roll w/rel. & must., cole slaw w/gr. pep., East. cake.

SO. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MON: or. juice, pea soup, crack., cold cut grind, w/let. & ch. cel. stix, ap. cake. TUES: hamb. gry. on mash, pot., but. car., pean. but. w/hon. on rye br. ap. sau. WED: bkd. shell mac. w/meat & tom. sau. ABC sal. but. Vien. br., easy fr. cake w/but. frost. THURS: cubed beef w/rice, but. peas & car., cab. sal., but. pan bisc., apple.

ROBINSON PARK SCHOOL

MON: meat balls w/sau., mash, pot., peas & car., b&b, Mary Jane sq. TUES: elb. mac. w/meat sau., farmer's wife sal., but. Vien. br., fruit. WED: tom. soup w/rice, car. stix., ham sal. on rye br., pean. but. sand., or. wed., but. cook. THURS: cit. juice, hamb. on but, bun, catsup, ch. stix, but. corn, pot. chips, East. dessert.

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

MON: juice, hamb. & gry., mash, pot., corn, choc. pud., b&b. TUES: juice, frank, on roll, home-made bkd. bns., cab. & car. sal., ap. sau., pean. but. cook. WED: roast beef in gry., mash, pot., broc., jel. w/top., b&b. THURS: juice, hamb. on bun, gr. bns., fr. cup, oatm. cook., pean. but. sand.

HIGH SCHOOL

MON: roast beef in gry., mash, pot., but. broc., hot ap. nug. muf., jel. w/top. TUES: hanib. on roll, cand. sw. pot., but. corn, pean. but. sand., pecan cake w/but. icing. WED: hamb. gry., mash, pot., but. spin., b&b, grapefr. sect. THURS: or. juice, cold cut grind. (ham, salami, ch.), let. & tom. pean. but. sand., choc. cake w/choc. icing.

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8. Villanova	31-1/2	32419
9. Georgetown	31	32067
10. Loyola	28	31916
11. St. Michael	27-1/2	32136
12. Notre Dame	22-1/2	32013

HTS	Holy Cross	538
HTT	St. Anselm	1504
HS	Rheault	156
H3	Morassi	395
HS	Camerlin	125
H3	Borgatti, J.	327

Gibson	138-124-116	378
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Shugda	103	
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Mercadante, R.	110	

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Bessette	100-101	
Borgatti, G.	104-103	300

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Camerlin	101	
Draghetti, M.	106	
Vernani, S.	101	
Christopher	102	
Morassi, P.	102	

Hi Nieghbor: Gibson, 138; Draghetti, M., 106.

Hood's To Cooperate In Physical Fitness Program

H. P. Hood & Sons added a one-two punch to its Physical Fitness Program today with the announcement that Patriots' general manager and coach Mike Holovak will serve as vice chairman of their advisory board which supports New England on behalf of the President's Council on Physical Fitness.

Halovak will work with board chairman Bob Cousy and other leading educators and athletes in the six state program.

Long an exponent of physical fitness, Holovak will also join Cousy giving clinics, lectures,

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and showing films underlining the crusade for better health for Americans. At the same time, he will be very much involved in long range community programs as part of the Advisory Board.

The Physical Fitness program was formed in 1960 after President John F. Kennedy pointed out the decreasing emphasis on fitness and good health among our citizenry.

Since its inception, the program has aided communities in numerous ways, ranging from support of civic events concerned with athletics to training of police departments in modern exercise methods. The program has received numerous awards - both regional and national - for its efforts and also the John F. Kennedy Library Fund via a game played by the Celtics and Baltimore in 1964.

"Mike Holovak has always stood out as a leader, both in war and in peace, and his own dedication to good health is an inspiration to all. We are privileged to have him join with us in this important crusade," said G. H. Hood in announcing the selection.

Holovak - the AFL's Coach of the Year last season - will specialize in instruction concerning football, just as Cousy's primary instruction is in basketball. Both men are seconded by a wide-ranging staff which includes experts in all other fields from nutrition to any type of sport. The company has also supported the Olympics in the past and is currently involved in a new pro-

gram for the 1968 Olympics.

Holovak was twice an All American at Boston College and set a long term Orange Bowl record for touchdowns and yards gained rushing. He served three years in the Navy as a PT-boat commander in the South Pacific and returned to play three years of professional football with the Los Angeles Rams and the Chicago Bears.

Following nine years as the Boston College head coach - during which he created a brilliant winning record - Holovak joined the Patriots on their formation and became head coach in 1961, winning nine straight games and losing the championship by a half game. Since then, he has compiled the best won and lost record of any coach in the AFL and has won championships or been close to it every season except one.

Holovak, a Naval Reserve Lt. Commander, also goes to sea each year as part of his service. A non-smoker and non-drinker, he is noted for his interest in keeping physically fit and has always evidenced a deep interest in presenting the message of health to the community.

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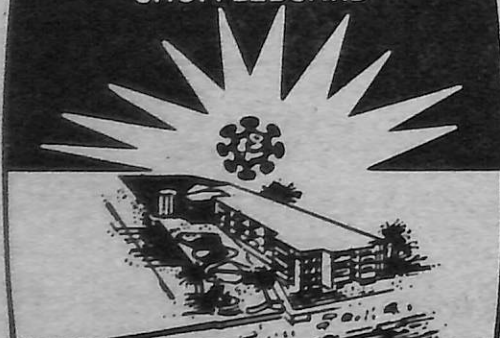
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JUNIORS MEET

The Auxiliary Juniors held a well attended meeting on Sunday at the Legion Home, with their leader, Mrs. Wilma Gillan in charge.

Plans are being made for a trip to the Monson Hospital before Easter to bring gifts and useful articles and to entertain the young patients.

This week the girls started craft work, using Christmas and other used cards. Members having birthday, Christmas or Easter cards to dispose of can help these projects by giving them to the Juniors.

UNIT MEETINGS

In spite of the bad weather on the 6th, Unit #185 held its regular meeting. President Catchepaugh distributed the report slips from Department to committee chairmen and officers who were there. She asks that they be filled out directly and sent in to the various County chairmen whose names and addresses appear on them. This is necessary in order to get due recognition at the convention, which is early this year. The dates are set for June 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

It was announced that the meeting place for the County meeting has been changed from Chicopee Falls to GAR Hall in Springfield. It will be held on Friday evening, March 17th, at 8:00 p.m.

The County Director's Banquet will be held at Tonelli's on April 18th in Westfield. A supply of tickets have been received and may be had from the treasurer. Dinner is at 7 and the price \$3.75.

Hammond Bill Would Provide Transportation For Mentally Retarded To Private Classes

WESTFIELD — State Senator George D. Hammond of Westfield has filed a bill with the Legislature under which cities and towns in the Commonwealth would be required to provide transportation for mentally retarded children to and from private classes that they may be attending.

Senator Hammond's bill stipulates that the transportation would be available to retarded children of school age who are not attending public schools in their communities.

Although the bill was filed at the

specific request of the Springfield School Department, Senator Hammond said he believes this is a measure that will be beneficial in many of the cities and towns of Massachusetts.

"These youngsters attend classes that are conducted in their behalf by various church groups, associations or other agencies, who are dedicated to the concept of developing all of the potential that may exist.

"I am told that there are some parents who simply are not able to arrange day to day transportation, through no fault of their own. There are others who do drive their mentally retarded children back and forth each day.

"In my opinion, these families are entitled to the same transpor-



Researching the past is most fun when you can discover things that the historians have missed. From having seen hundreds of diaries and reading old accounts, I have come to the decision that great-grandfather arose in the morning and went to bed about two or three hours earlier than the average person today. That doesn't sound like an earth-shaking discovery, but when you regard it as an extra thousand annual hours of prime wide-awake life, it might explain why the old-timers accomplished so much, so well, in "so little time."

One almanac touched upon this idea by saying: "Mornings are like the youth of mankind; afternoons are like later life. Bedtime is no time for anything but reflecting. Mornings are best for important work."

They say that when a New England farmer gets a holiday, he gets up an hour earlier in order to get in his full day of loafing. Early morning, according to science, is actually the best time of day for the human being. Not only is the body in its best condition (the fewest deaths seem to occur between six and seven in the morning), but the mind is also brightest. If you want the answer to some personal problem, do think about it directly after waking; then, the experts say, is when your thinking is clearest.

In the early morning, all the world is at its best. The air is cleanest, water clearest, weather least violent and the health of man and beast at its peak. So it seems that late sleepers are missing a lot out of life. Benjamin Franklin stated that "early to bed, early to rise" jingle, but he seldom practiced what he preached (anyone who has read his private diaries will realize that). He used to work far into the night and then sleep till time for luncheon. But in one of his letters he wrote: "... still thinking it something extraordinary that the sun should rise so early." I looked into the almanac where I found it to be the hour for his rising on that day. I say it is impossible that so sensible a people should have lived so long by the smoky, unwholesome, and enormously expensive light of candles, if they might have known that they might have had as much pure light of the sun for nothing. And so Benjamin Franklin discovered the sunrise.

Somehow, it makes you think about the millions of man hours wasted in commuting during the best hours of the day. Even a few years ago when everyone travelled by train instead of automobile, the morning hours were not as wasted. Some businessmen insisted that they did more brainwork on the way to work, than they did all day long in the office. I recall when I spent the train trips to New York writing magazine articles, and then spent the time when I arrived there, in selling articles.

As a painter, I have always found that a landscape lit by the rays of a very low-lying sun, creates the most dramatic scene: shadows are longest and colors are deepest; the mood is most striking. But then people always ask of my work, "Is this scene supposed to be during sunset or sunrise?" My reply is invariably "What do you think?" And whatever the person says, of course, I reply, "Wonderful! How did you ever guess it?" For actually there isn't much difference between a sunset and sunrise picture. And I believe that a painting should be just what the beholder sees in it. Life, too, is exactly what we see in it. But there is more hope and inspiration in the sunrise than there is in a sunset. Try one and see!

tation consideration that is extended to the students attending our public schools. This is the intent of the bill that I have filed with the Legislature."

Senator Hammond said that presumably, under the terms of the bill, cities and towns could be requested to provide station wagon or taxi transportation at the request of the parents of their children.

EXPOSITION AGAIN AWARDS COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

WEST SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — The Eastern States Exposition will award a \$750 scholarship to the college queen chosen Exposition College Queen during this year's fair, Sept. 16-24, it was announced today by G. William Wynne, general manager. This is the sixth consecutive year that the Exposition has sponsored the college queen event.

In order to be eligible, college girls must be single, be enrolled in an accredited New England college for undergraduate or graduate study for the 1967-68 school year, be in good academic standing, and must have been selected "queen" of a student-sponsored event at an accredited New England college during the 1966-67 college year. Men's, women's, and junior colleges, as well as co-educational colleges, are included.

Preliminary interviewing of

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